

Meeting of the Taranaki Oil & Gas Security Working Group (TOGS)

Tuesday 23 September 2014

1400 – 1600hrs

Conference Room, New Plymouth Airport, Airport Drive, New Plymouth

Meeting Notes

1. (Airport)

1 gave the opening welcome. House rules explained.

2. Apologies

- (Anadarko)
- (NZ Energy)
- - (TAG Oil)
- (NZ Police)
- 1 (AWE)
- 1 (STOS)
- (OMV)
- (Greymouth Petroleum)
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3. Introductions

1 (NZ Police Area Commander Taranaki - Relieving) welcomed everyone and introduced himself:

- Currently relieving as area commander
- on secondment to Wellington before heading to the Olympics

4. Previous Minutes

Minutes from last meeting held on 24/06/14.

- Contacted Maritime NZ – is unable to make it as has just got back from overseas. Keen to make it next time

Moved that the previous minutes were true and correct.

Moved / Seconded / - Accepted unanimously

5. TGS Update

- / introduced himself and .. Based in Perth.
- Starting a survey in upper north island on west coast December (summer best for seismic)

- Vessel they are using is the Aquila Explorer – Seabird. Previous experience in NZ. Waiting for it to finish in Philippines. Depends on how it goes up there – knock on effect.
- Multi-client survey – do the survey prefunded part of it by an Oil company. Like a broker for them. This one has been pre funded by Statoil – approx. 20-25% of this survey. Approx. 5 - 5.5 month survey.
- Crew changes in Taranaki – every 5 weeks (Phoenix Shipping) – 4-5 visits. At least one chase boat based here. Trying to get Ocean Pioneer.
- Had some stakeholder engagement – esp. in Kaitaia. They are very much against it. At end of the meeting said that they didn't want to see us again and were going to blow our boat up. Most others have been very respectful. Have their own opinions on the effect on the area. Mainly iwi against it – some were for and some against (cultural and fishing reasons).
- Large area so able to be flexible in how we do it. Closest to shore is over 30km. Also outside the marine mammal area – esp. the endangered Maui dolphin.
- First time Statoil have been involved in NZ. Proactive approach – they have been very vocal, heavily engaging. Still no country manager yet.
- Not a Statoil survey but that is how it is being perceived.
- (NZ Energy) says it is good to know and understand the community dynamics before engaging. Most just want to know the process – esp. on the East Coast. New to some of these communities. Need to do as much as you can.
- Most other groups listened to us – some didn't want to hear from Statoil.
- There is concern about collaborating with Greenpeace.
- Other companies involved want to remain confidential.
- Seem to be a number of other companies looking at work up north – Shell are holding off going to Kaitaia.
- (Shell) found that there is a lot of misunderstanding from DOC about code of conduct. Both the companies and DOC need to focus on education.
- No drawback or issues for Taranaki – all positive stakeholder engagement south of Auckland.

6. *Round table discussions*

– Port Taranaki

- Business as usual
- Concern around activist – 2 Greenpeace actions recently. Not sure why – seasonal for some reason.
- Annual security exercise was held last night – involving police, fire, ambo, port security, TCIL. Will be debriefing shortly, a lot of lessons learned out of it.
- Supporting off shore campaigns at the moment. Some ongoing.

– Origin Energy

- New to Origin – only 5 weeks on the ground
- Campaign at Kupe platform – Nov, Dec about 60 days should take 30 days. May need support vessel. Maintenance shutdown

Port Taranaki

- New to the Port as Operations Manager

– Todd Energy

- Drilling campaign on land – move to Inglewood soon
- Speed issue with community in Tikorangi

– New Plymouth Airport

- Back up if required.
- Numbers steady – 9th largest NZ airport on numbers.
- Flights dropped off, but passenger numbers high.

– TCIL

- Statoil and Maui dolphin focus.
- Greymouth Petroleum – around the mountain issues on land. Iwi occupied for about 3 months. Pity not here for more input.

– Anadarko

- Office Manager based in Wellington.
- New to TOGS – observing / as well as observing the Port security exercise last night.
- Awaiting decision on summer programme.

– Methanex

- Solid operations at the moment.
- No security issues.

– STOS

- Steady ops – regroup phase.
- Key activities – visible.
- Demob Maui rig.
- Pohokura – maintenance programme to commence shortly.
- Kapuni – well stimulation. Very visible but good community engagement.

– NZ Energy

- Stratford Eltham permit.
- Shut down Waihapa in next few weeks.
- Few other jobs coming up.
- Pulled out of Wairoa permit and Castlepoint on east coast.
- Focus back in to Taranaki region.
- Iwi chair for coast Taranaki 15 years. Some real issues out there. Stakeholder communications is high priority. Get it right then will be good. Bring them in early, good communication, how to participate; go to them early to engage. Gives recognition to them shows iwi have autonomy over the lands.
- Make sure personnel in company locally who know networks out there. Challenge for all of us. Misconception that iwi don't want consultation. Sore point re ownership of the minerals – but that's with the crown to sort.
- Have some iwi who embrace the energy sector – even own shares in the companies.
- Definitely issues everywhere. East coast is no exception – it's tough. Expensive. New to Councils for consents, no finds yet. A lot of challenges – not cheap.

– NZ Police

- Port exercise had some great learnings.
- Methanex will have a multi-agency exercise in November – Emergency Response (Police is the lead).

– Helicopters NZ

- Business as usual – enjoying the work.

- Higher security fence around the port – but low fence further down.
- Looking forward to new campaigns coming up – crew changes and medivac.

– OMV

- Drilling campaign continue on ENSCO107.
- Drilling 2nd well – side track from abandoned well. 2-3 weeks completion.
- Other drilling workovers in to next year.
- Pubic submissions for E107. From next month – 125 in so far. Vast majority are for sea mammals.
- Raroa steady ops.

– Shell Exploration

- STOS has KTIV going to Maui8 soon.
- No media attention.
- Finish Tangaroa in New Caledonia tomorrow – draws some media attention.
- 5 month seismic in NC in December – based in NP.
- End next year exploration well.

6. Presentation – 'NZ Police - MEJIG)

from the Mineral Exploration Joint Intelligence Group gave a presentation on how the group operates, as well as some insights to current issues

7. Any other business

- – National is going to push through the RMA.
 - Look at next meeting around December.
 - Ensure Maritime NZ present and give speech / or ODESC??
 - Place – TBC (looking for offers) – Methanex will check for availability.
- Action Point – TCIL to chase up with Methanex as a venue